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SUBJECT: ASSESSMENT OF THE NEW EC COMMISSIONERS

REF: (A) ROME 20197 (NOTAL), (B) DUBLIN 2551 (NOTAL)

1. IN PREPARATION FOR DEALING WITH THE NEW EC COMMISSION,
WHICH WILL TAKE OFFICE IN JANUARY, WE HAVE BEEN PULLING
TOGETHER BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON NEW COMMISSIONERS.
REPORTS ALREADY RECEIVED FROM EMBASSIES ROME AND DUBLIN
ON GIOLITTI AND BURKE HAVE BEEN HELPFUL, AND WE WOULD
APPRECIATE RECEIVING INFORMATION AND APPRAISALS ON
LORENZO NATALI AND HENK VREDELING.

2. WE ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN ASSESSMENT
OF THE FOLLOWING:
--WHAT SORT OF ATTITUDES ARE THEY LIKELY TO BRING TO
DEALING WITH THE MAJOR ISSUES WHICH WILL FACE THE EC
DURING THE NEXT YEAR OR SO, PARTICULARLY THOSE ISSUES
WHICH INTEREST THE US (E.G., TRADE, CAP,
NORTH-SOUTH)?
--WHAT HAVE BEEN THEIR PAST ATTITUDES TO EUROPEAN
INTEGRATION EFFORTS? ARE THEY LIKELY TO SUPPORT
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POLICIES AIMED AT EC INTEGRATION--OR WILL THEY BE
INCLINED TO PROTECT NATIONAL INTERESTS?
--HOW ARE THEY AS ADMINISTRATORS?

3. FOR ROME AND DUBLIN: WE WOULD WELCOME ANY FURTHER
COMMENTS YOU MAY HAVE ON GIOLITTI AND BURKE RELEVANT

TO POINTS IN PARA 2 ABOVE.

4. FOR LONDON: WE HAVE RECEIVED EXCELLENT APPRAISAL
ON TUGENDHAT FROM BOB KAUFMAN BUT WOULD WELCOME ANY
COMMENTS YOU MAY WISH TO ADD. HINTON

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